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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Brookings House is a two-story stone dwelling with a small two-story wing to the rear. The stone has been covered with stucco. There is an inside end chimney at each gable end and one in the rear of the back wing. A date stone in the north gable end has been removed. The facade of the building has a one story porch which is Victorian, but prior to this the home had a two-story porch. The window sash has nine lights over six with paneled shutters on the first story, and louvered on the second. The gable roof has a box cornice with crown molding. Bed molding has been built under the box cornice. The house has a full basement. The exposed floor joist show that they are pegged. The frame of the front door is paneled and pegged. There is a transom over the door and plain wooden pillars adorn each side of the door.

The interior of the main section consists of three rooms, a central hall with a large room to each side. The hall has a stairway to the second floor which is almost identical to that in the Smith House in North East. Of unusual note are the wooden mantels on the fireplaces. They have reeded columns with gauge carvings on the face of the mantel. The rear wing had a walk-in fireplace but it has been removed.

To the south of the home is a small one and a half story stone building used by Dr. Brookings as his office and the upper story housed his carriage driver. Two large boxwood flank the front door. The sash is nine lights over six with pegged wooden frames. Across the road from this building is a large stone barn with cedar shake roof. It has several long strap hinges. Particularly attractive is the small door on the south wall (gable).

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house was the residence of Dr. Richard C. Brookings whose son was the famous Robert Brookings. The family owned the home until the early 1900's. Richard Brookings bought this farm in 1789-90 and perhaps built the larger part of the house about this time. The rear wing is supposed to have been built about 1751.

The Brookings family besides being involved in the medical field also were working with people such as the Carter Family and the Christy's to develop the area industrially. Robert Brookings founded the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C. and served President Woodrow Wilson as an advisor.

The house is situated on a small ridge to the west of the Little Elk Creek and has a splendid view of the Little Elk Creek Valley.

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